

## WILSON IS TARGET OF DINER'S VERSE

## SAYS U. S. CAN LEAD IN NAVAL MATTERS

The Rev. Dr. Richmond Expresses His Defense Sentiments in Rhyme.

Frank J. Sprague Returns Enthusiastic After Cruise With Atlantic Fleet.

## REALTY BOARD APPLAUDS

## URGES MORE WARSHIPS

It wasn't Gov. Whitman's lengthy address on State finances, or his trans-continental telephone talk with Gov. Johnson of California, or any of the dozen other speeches that won the most tumultuous applause at the annual dinner of the Real Estate Board at the Waldorf last night. It was a poem—ten stanzas of satirical verse which the 1,180 diners understood to be aimed at President Wilson—written and delivered by the Rev. Charles Alexander Richmond, president of Union College.

Dr. Richmond confessed to having read up on his history lately, and to the view that reading of Washington and Jefferson and other fathers makes some of the young and significant comparisons with the present situation. There was great applause, a waving up of the vast crowd, and Dr. Richmond drew forth his poem and began:

*"Brother Jonathan sat by the kitchen fire,  
Nursing his foot on his knee,  
'Twas a terrible sight to see,  
But there they can't get over to me."*

And Jonathan found the coins in his hand, And thanked the god did for the sea.

The next two stanzas told of Jonathan's concern for the Belgians, after which:

Then he heard they'd drowned a thousand.

And some from America.

He said right out: "If you do that again You'll get me mad," says he,

And I am on singing the coins in his hand.

And thanking the god did for the sea.

They did it again, and then again.

"You don't know what's in my mind  
I'll get him yet."

And I winked one eye with his tongue in  
Tim's pocket to night," says he.

He might be keeping them cousins of his  
To help for liberty,  
And he might get in a few ticks himself  
Just for humanity.

And when he'd quit singin' them coins.

And thankin' God for the sea.

When the telephoning to San Francisco, he was told by the New York Real Estate Board and the San Francisco San. Gov. Whitman told Gov. Johnson that he hoped he would join the Republican party pretty soon, Gov. Johnson's reply was entirely friendly. Others who talked were:

Comptroller Prendergast and the chief financial officer of San Francisco, Asst. Adj. to the Secretary with the corresponding official of California, District Attorney Swann and District Attorney Charles M. Flory, Haley Fiske, vice-president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and M. H. De Young, publisher of the San Francisco *Chronicle*.

Gov. Whitman didn't confine his talking to telephones. He told the San Francisco hundred similes about the new plan of State finances, how the greater is not the State's greatest enemy, but the incompetent public official who wastes money is; and how former methods of appropriation have been lacking in many things.

"I have already begun to realize that much of the present financial plan in no respect another treads on the toes of a great many people who in the past have been little hampered by supervision over their use of the moneys of the State," he said. "I have, on the other hand, received many endorsements of the plan from the business and financial leaders of the State."

On the other hand, persons who have followed given practices for many years to abandon those practices, particularly when such action interferes with their own privileges and opportunities for favoritism. I believe that the acceptance of the new plan is well nigh assured."

Another speaker was V. N. Kingsbury of the American Telephone and Telegraph company. Prominent among the guests were Elton Brown, George W. Browne, George McAneny, George A. Boldt, Jr., William M. Calder, Thomas W. Churchill, Abram L. Elias, Lewis H. Pounds, Lawson Purdy and Lamar Hardy.

## BIGGEST NAVY PLEA REACTS ON WILSON

His Argument for Great Sea Power to Be Used as Slogan of Militarism.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—President Wilson's statement at St. Louis that the United States should have the "greatest navy in the world" is likely to embitter his preparedness fight. The President's opponents in Congress already are preparing to make use of the words. They will contend that the President has been carried away completely by the militarists and that his present programme is only the beginning of large expenditures.

Speeches are to be made in Congress during the next 10 days on this statement by the President. Senator Norris of Nebraska is in the course of a speech in the Senate today referred to the remarks.

"A year ago," said Senator Norris, "the President warned us against an increase in armament. This year he comes forward as the very champion of the preparedness forces. His latest utterance is that we should have the biggest navy in the world."

"If he had kept on going west," added Senator Norris, "say as far as Denver, and if he had carefully avoided all reference to the taxation which would be necessary to support so gigantic a programme, he probably would have favored our longer list of demands."

"May be the President means we already have the best navy, if not the largest," House Leader Kitchen remarked today.

"I do not believe the nation wishes the largest," the President said, the greatest," said Representative Allen.

"The President is on the mark," said his plan is worse than that. Today he rejected Representative Sloss of Nebraska.

"Like the rest of the Presidents preparedness advocacy, his votaries call for the world's greatest navy is purely political. It's not sincere," said Representative Britton of Illinois.

The other day the President's top group members of Congress still continue in appointing to Mr. Wilson's followers. There was no evidence today of any yielding by the anti-preparedness members on account of sentiment aroused by the President's tour.

**Scientist Render Buried.**

HACKENSACK, N. J., Feb. 5.—Mass. Lawrence Deacon, the substitute reader in the Christian Science Church at Hackensack, died Saturday morning. The Rev. C. B. Kuebler of the First Presbyterian Church conducted the service. It is not known that any Christian Scientist attended the service.

## SENATOR LEWIS CAN SEE U.S. WAR ON WAY

Believes Germany and Britain Will Unite to Fight Monroe Doctrine.

## URGES MORE WARSHIPS

Senator Hamilton Lewis of Illinois told members of the Hudson County (N. J.) Bar Association last night at its annual banquet at the Hotel Astor

that the peoples of the United States will come after the present war, and that will be caused by the Monroe Doctrine. He said that Germany and Great Britain, natural allies, will eventually form a commercial alliance; that Russia and Japan will unite in the Orient in opposition to America, and that when that time comes the Army and Navy of the United States must be ready to overcome any opposition placed before it.

"The future troubles of America will grow out of the reconstruction and enforcement of an international contract designated the Monroe Doctrine," said Senator Lewis. "Any European Government that forbids the United States to grab India will be the weaker. That is the grab."

"The conflicts of America will not come during this war, but afterward, and will be sustained by the combined armies of all the countries now at war. These countries will deny us the right

to serve as guardian for South America and they will demand it of us. The country of South America is willing that European Power should establish its form of government in South America, it will be none of our business to prevent it."

"The European countries defying us will bring their forces to South or Central America and establish them, and we must submit to it, or oppose them. They will know that the United States has not one friend among nations which would give a life or spend a dollar out of affection for us."

"Great Britain and Germany will form an important alliance for commercial purposes. Remember that these countries are cousins in the same blood; they are cousins in any common cause as against America and her commercial advance in the Orient and South America. They will unite in opposing us."

## SIX BIG ARMY PLANS ARE BEFORE CONGRESS

Committees at Work on Them  
—Compromise Is Expected in Washington.

able effect a compromise programme, is the better here. The following are the principal features:

### SECRETARY GARRISON'S PLAN

Regular army.....	10,000
National guard.....	40,000
Continental army.....	100,000
Grand total.....	150,000
Cost per annum.....	\$12,000,000

**COL. ROOSEVELT'S PLAN**

Regular army.....	200,000
Continental army under training three months a year for each three years.....	200,000
Regimental training for three months additional training before taking the field.....	200,000
Grand total.....	500,000
Cost per annum.....	\$25,000,000

**GEN. WOODS' PLAN**

Regular army.....	200,000
Federalization of the National Guard and citizen service, based on Swiss or Australian model.....	200,000
Grand total.....	400,000
Cost per annum.....	\$20,000,000

**SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN'S PLAN**

A regular army of 200,000 men, 20 field artillery and 10 cavalry regiments.....	200,000
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**THIRTY THOUSAND MEN FOR THE ARMY**

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